

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 415

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A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Emily Trice Sims, 2003
Co-Valedictorian of Huntland High School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Emily Sims is one such exceptional student who was recently named Co-Valedictorian of the 2003 graduating class at Huntland High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Ms. Sims has achieved outstanding academic success and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in her remarkable high school career, Emily Sims has earned an exemplary 4.0 grade point average; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Sims' display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for her future success, particularly as she plans to attend the University of Tennessee in the fall; and

WHEREAS, an extremely talented and well-rounded young woman, Emily Sims has served as Class President, the Historian of the Interact Club, the Secretary of the National

Honor Society, a member of Beta Club, the football manager, and the baseball statistician; in addition, she has selflessly given of her time to the Special Olympics, Haven of Hope, Habitat for Humanity, Meals on Wheels, the Rotary Horse Show, Operation Noel, the Hometown Hero Luncheon, and the Golden Christmas Luncheon; and

WHEREAS, no stranger to honors and accolades, Ms. Sims has won many awards, including the Hugh O'Brian Youth Leadership Award, the Rotary Youth Leadership Award, the Distinguished Scholastic Achievement Award, and the Most Athletic Superlative; a gifted athlete, she was an All-District varsity basketball player and was nominated for the Wendy's Heisman Award; and

WHEREAS, Emily Sims' noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for her parents, Tim and Tammy Sims, her school, and her community; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Sims' dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby commend and honor 2003 Huntland High School Co-Valedictorian, Emily Trice Sims, on her impressive academic achievement, and extend to her our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.